

## WALZ TEAM DEFEATS FELDMAN; GAME IS CLOSE AND EXCITING

Bowman Makes Excellent Referee and Interprets Rules Strictly; Team Play Is Good and There Is Little Chance for Starring, Although "Sag" Shea of Feldmans Manages to Tie the Score.

By "Beck"

WALZ team beat the Feldmans in the City Basketball League game at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday evening, 22 to 21, and thus retained second place in the league standings. Coach "Duke" Evans and members of the High school squad were on hand to root for the Feldmans and the game was close and thrilling enough to keep the small crowd of fans on edge all the way. Had the Feldmans won, the chances of the High school winning second place would have been much improved.

The game was one of the most exciting of the entire season. Most of the time, the teams were less than three points apart in the scoring and at no time was the Walz aggression, which led practically all the way, more than six points ahead of the Feldmans. The Feldmans got off to an early lead but were soon overhauled by the Walz team, thanks to a couple of lucky shots by Gaylord. The Walz team then held a slight lead and at last time the score was Walz 12, Feldmans 10.

When the score was 12-10, Walz jumped to the front and got a six point lead. With about 10 minutes to play, Feldmans came back with a rush and gradually cut down the margin of the other team. Two minutes before the end of the game, "Sag" Shea tied the score by scoring on a foul throw. Then things did get really interesting. The fans were few in number but strong in heart power and the teams had plenty of encouragement. "Duke" Evans and Chris Fox, of the High school, thought their chatty seats were of rubber and their encouragement to the Feldmans was both noisy and hearty.

There were 45 seconds left to play when Jimmy Kilburn was charged with a personal foul for holding. Verne Lyman threw the basket and the Walz team had the long end of the 22-21 score and no other baskets were made.

Bowman Makes Good Referee. The best work of the season by a referee was made by Bowman both knows the rules and has the nerve to enforce them. The game was practically free from rough tactics and the referee had full control at all times. Quite a few personal fouls were called, for Bowman allowed nothing to get by him. It is

## HARNESS RACING RULES CHANGED

New York, Feb. 10.—Several important changes in the harness racing rules were made at the annual meeting of the National association, held here on Wednesday. Some of the more important changes are:

A horse with a win-race made on a track shall be allowed one second and for each quarter of a mile or fraction thereof in the distance to be raced when entering on a half mile track. Providing the class to which he would be eligible under this allowance is not slower than his win-race for the distance on a half-mile track.

Other allowances may be granted if so stated in the published conditions, but when offered for losing performance or for being behind the money in public races, they shall be limited to the conditions.

A nomination also is required to claim time allowances when making entry, and also state in what way time is entitled to it. Should he wait to do so, his nomination is not entitled to any time allowance in the event.

The time between heats for any distance up to and including a mile shall be 25 minutes; for any distance between one and two miles, 30 minutes; for any distance between two and three miles, 35 minutes; for any distance between three and four miles, 40 minutes.

And public race at an irregular distance, for example, 2 1/2 furlongs, shall be regarded as irregular, and time made at any such distance shall create a bar at the next regular distance.

THREE ST. PAUL BOXERS WIN THEIR MATCHES. New York Feb. 10.—Three St. Paul boxers won their matches in the same ring in Brooklyn Wednesday night. Johnny Erie, champion of the bantam-weight outfight and outboxed Teddy Martin of Providence, R. I. Erie, weighing 115, had the better of nine of the ten rounds. Martin's weight was 115 1/2.

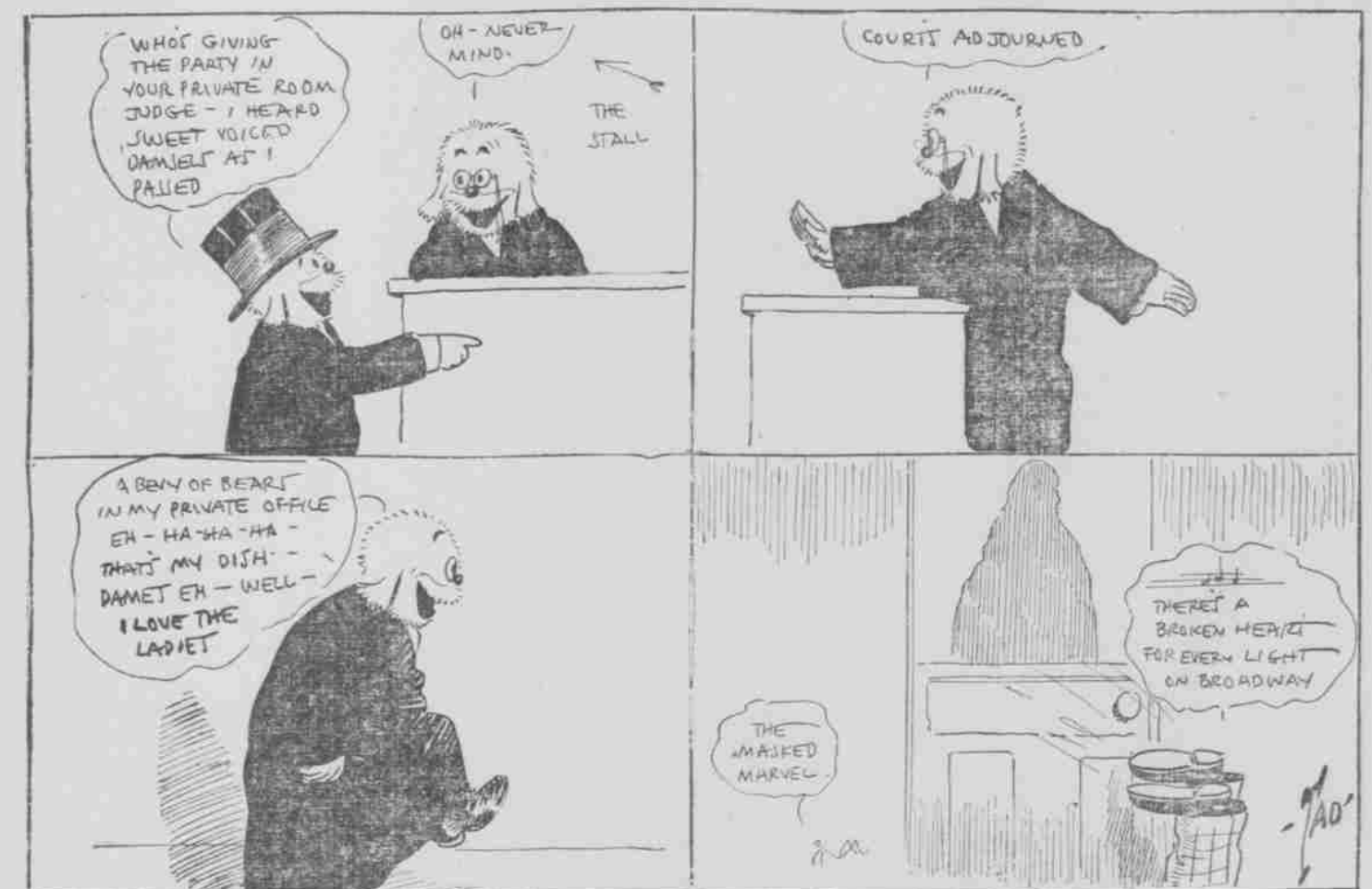
Mike Erie, brother of Johnny, weighing 103, defeated "Kid" Murtha of Brooklyn, to whom he conceded seven rounds.

Bill DeFoe made his New York debut, winning from Hugh Rodden of Brooklyn. DeFoe weighed 125 and Rodden 124.

JACK COOMBS WILL TRAIN THE BROOKLYN BATTERIES. Palestine, Texas, Feb. 10.—Jack Coombs, of the Brooklyn Nationals, received notice Wednesday from manager Robinson to proceed to Hot Springs, Ark., February 28, to assume charge of the work of getting the Brooklyn batteries in condition for the coming baseball season.

## THE JUDGE AND THE MASKED MARVEL -- BY TAD

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## "BECK'S" AMEN CORNER

By "Beck"

WOMEN will be permitted to attend the Willard-Moran bout. Sure, all you have to do is to whack up the price. The promoters will need all the dough they can grab.

CONGRATULATIONS are due Demar Bowman for his good work as a referee in the Feldman-Walz basketball match at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday night. It is to be hoped that he will handle the whistle in other games when his own team is not playing.

NEXT basketball attraction will be Saturday night's double header at the "Y." The Feldmans and Millers will meet in the opener and the photographers should cop. The second game will be between the "Hi" and the School of Mines. This should be a good contest. Mines has had a good rest and will put a strong team against the Tigers.

EL PASO auto dealers got their pictures on the front pages of Chicago papers last week. They located Charlie Chaplin, the "movie" comedian, at a Chicago hotel and proceeded to shower Charlie with Villa "money." It is said that the moving picture concerns also "took" the scene, so we may see it in the "animated weeklies" soon.

CHARLIE WEINERT, the Newark heavyweight, is endeavoring to get a match with Frank Moran and asserts that he will "show Moran's true caliber." However, the New York promoters can't think much of Weinert's ability as a drawing card for they offer only \$6000 for a match and Frank says there is nothing doing. There was a day-and-not-so-very-long ago—when a couple of heavyweight huskies would have fallen all over themselves to get a chance at a \$6000 purse but that was before Tex Rickard appeared on the horizon.

WHEN Harry Stone won a 20-round decision over Pete Russell in New Orleans recently, he got the whole sum of one dime for his efforts! It seems that the men agreed to make 153 pounds at the ringside and posted \$100 each as weight forfeit. Russell made the weight but Stone didn't. Stone was working on a percentage and his share was \$100.10. After taking out the \$100 he lost on the weight forfeit he had the dime left.

SEVERAL good wrestlers are now in the Y. M. C. A. class under the charge of Joe Dorris. While only elementary work has yet been taken up by the class, some of the members are showing considerable skill.

SPECIAL Hexathlon practice for the Y. M. C. A. athletes will be held in the gymnasium this evening. El Paso's high standing in the last National Hexathlon makes it important that the team should not fall down this year and a full attendance of all members is urged at tonight's workout.

CHESS is coming in for some attention now and the tournament now in progress at the Y. M. C. A. is very interesting. The matches are watched by dozens of spectators, though the games cannot, by any manner of means, be referred to as "exciting."

CHRIS FOX felt the defeat of the Feldmans, Wednesday night, even more keenly than the members of the beaten team. Chris surely did some "pulling" for the photographers. When the Walz team won, Fox and the "Hi" aggregation consoled themselves with a promise that the Tigers will beat the phonograph men.

## BOWLING

Sneller League.			
Following were the scores in the Sneller league matches on the Centex club alley.			
Wednesday evening:			
Hottel team:	144	54	791
C. N. Anthony:	138	75	210
J. D. Barrage:	159	117	347
N. V. Dinsmore:	124	118	342
H. G. Bateman:	163	169	332
Totals:	649	624	1864
Vandemore team:	161	54	715
R. P. Crompton:	99	51	145
E. C. Smith:	140	112	252
J. H. Ryan:	129	118	247
J. Vandemore:	119	137	256
Totals:	508	572	1632
Points won, Bateman 2, Vandemore 1; high game, Ryan 191; high total, Vandemore 472.			
Admitt team:	161	54	791
C. A. Hammel:	122	121	243
E. A. Baker:	124	112	236
O. D. Butler:	117	122	239
G. C. Abbott:	132	152	284
Totals:	508	604	1674
Willow team:	141	54	791
P. Miller:	102	106	208
W. C. Wilson:	107	139	246
O. A. Griffith:	142	135	277
P. C. Woodburn:	117	171	288
Totals:	471	555	1507
Points won, Abbott 2, Willow 1; high game, Abbott 132; high total, Abbott 156.			
Strike out Willows.			

## JUST AN EARFUL By Tad

WILD BILL DONOVAN took a few recruits down south with him last year, and among them was a guy who had a head like an egg. He thought he was the greatest hitter ever seen. He almost made Bill think so, too, with his line of chin goods.

He wasn't playing regularly on the team and was dying for a chance to wallop the pill.

One day when the team was playing a luck nine in the south the score was tied in the ninth and there were two out. Bill had a man on third and was a bit excited.

The guy with the bean like an egg begged Wild Bill for a chance to swing the willow. "Go ahead," piped Bill. "BUT USE YOUR NOODLE."

Our hero steps up. He waits as he was told and gets a ball. He waits again and gets another. He's standing there swinging the old ash when one comes straight for his center-board and, thinking that his nose was to be separated from him immediately, he ducked. The ball hit his bat, bounced safely, he got to first and the man on third scored.

The next guy up hammered out a homer and they cup the game. When he came back he said to Bill: "How was that for headwork, eh?"

Bill smiled and said, "Alright, kid. BUT IT'S TOUGH TO PULL IN A PUNCH."



## NATIONAL LEAGUE HOLDS BANQUET

Former President Taft Joins With Baseball Magnates In the Merrymaking.

New York, Feb. 10.—Stars of the baseball universe, old and young, joined here Wednesday night with owners and managers and fans of prominence in all walks of life in celebration of the 40th anniversary of the annual banquet of the National League. The happy anniversary remained as the result of the recent war was removed when former fans joined in the merry-making.

President John K. Tener was toastmaster. In his opening address he declared that "we believe the United States is fitted to sit at the head of the table of internationalism, so we believe that baseball, our pastime, is destined to become the world's international sport."

Other speakers were Morgan G. Buckley, former governor of Connecticut, and A. G. Mills, third president of the National league. A standing toast was drunk to the memory of the late A. G. Spalding.

A. G. Reach, who was a star with the Philadelphia team in 1876, and John F. Malins, who in the same year wore a Boston uniform, were among the guests.

Baseball Displaces Head Hunting. Former president William H. Taft, addressing the diners, declared baseball has been an important factor in civilizing the Philippines. He said American soldiers and sailors have taught the game to the natives and that its influence has spread to the wilds of the island possessions. Baseball, he added, has been substituted for head-hunting by ignominious tribes.

Mr. Taft said he was glad the umpire has the authority to send off the field those players who do not behave themselves.

"If I had my way," he added, "I would also shut the mouths of those fellows on the side lines."

Short Session During Day. Meetings were held here during the day by club owners in the National and International leagues and the delegates hurried through their business at both sessions so that they would have ample time left to prepare for the banquet.

No change was made in the rule limiting the number of players to 21 by the National league owners, although Eastern Sportsmen went on record as favoring an increase to 22 players for each club.

Salary Deductions During Suspension. The word "manager" as well as "player" was read into the rule governing the deduction of salary during a term of suspension and it was agreed that any club guilty of infraction of this law should be fined \$150.

On motion of president Ebbetts, of Brooklyn, that the drafting system be changed so that the lower division clubs were to be afforded the first privilege of obtaining players, no definite action was taken. It was the sense of the meeting, however, that the change would be desirable and the question went over to see what the American league and the minor leagues might have to say about it.

Brennan's Case Pending. President Weeghman, of the Cubs, stated that he had not made any definite arrangements for the disposal of Roger Bresnahan. The Chicago club owner said he would be in this city all week and would endeavor to place the former Chicago club manager to the best advantage.

## FINN IS OUT OF GAME, BUT HIS SALARY GOES ON

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 10.—Mike Finn, long prominent in baseball, must stay out of the game for at least a year, physicians told him Wednesday at the hospital here where he has been confined since an operation. Accordingly, Finn explained that he had asked Delmonico, former American league second baseman, to assume his contract to manage the Beaumont team of the Texas league during the coming season.

Finn last year was about for the Detroit Americans. Today he received a telegram from president Navin of Detroit, which said:

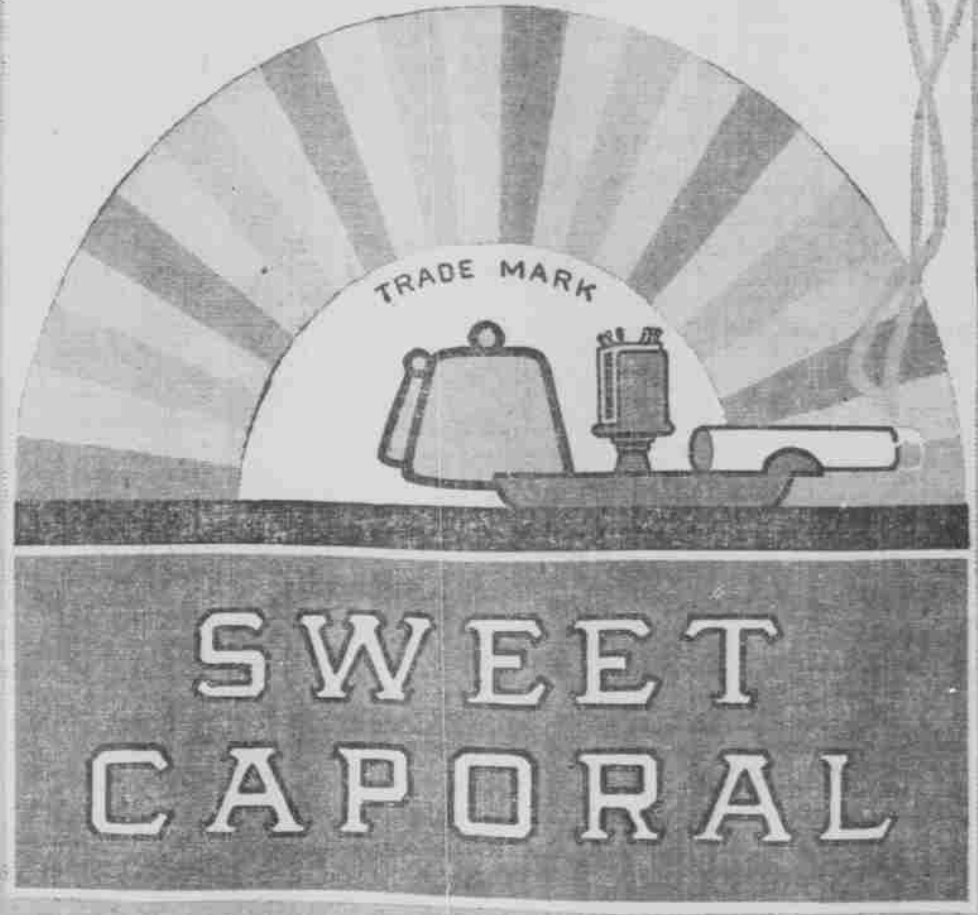
"Head or alive your salary goes on this season just the same."

THREE FORMER FEDS SOLD TO THE BRAVES. Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 10.—President Edward W. Gwynne, of the Pittsburgh Federal league club, announced that he has completed a deal for the sale of first baseman Edward Konetsky and pitchers Frank Allen and Elmer Knott to the Boston National league club.

Phone 663 for a pound of English Lawn Stationery 25c and envelopes to match at 2 p.m. for 25c. El Paso Book Co. Mills Bldg. "It's Handy."—Adv.

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